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The Commissioner of Patents
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Kindly amend the application as follows:

Cancel in the application original claims 2 - 33 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. Once the application has been accorded a filing date and is pending before the Office, claim 1 may also be cancelled. Kindly amend the claims as follows:

Sub C2
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34. In combination a computer having a diskette drive, an end user computer peripheral device normally connectible to a conventional input/output port of any of a number of computers, and a coupler which couples the computer with the computer peripheral device without using a conventional input/output port: said coupler being sized for insertion in the diskette drive of the computer, said coupler comprising means for aligning and positioning said coupler within the diskette drive, means for coupling with a read/write head of the diskette drive in a manner to transfer data between said coupler and the read/write head when said coupler is aligned and positioned in the diskette drive, said coupler further including means connecting said coupler to said computer peripheral device in a manner to accommodate transfer of data between said coupler and said end user computer peripheral device, whereby said coupler when aligned and positioned in the diskette drive and connected to said end user computer peripheral device